IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO.7008 OF 2005

Dasri Srikant Rajmoli ..Petitioner.

Vs.

State of Maharashtra & Ors. ..Respondents.

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Ms.A.G.Bhaktwani for the Petitioner.

Mr.C.R.Sonawane, AGP for Respondent Nos.1 to 4 and 6.

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CORAM : F.I.REBELLO &

DR.D.Y.CHANDRACHUD, JJ.

20th October, 2005.

P.C. :

1. Rule. Heard forthwith. Learned AGP waives notice for Respondent Nos.1 to 4 and 6. In view of the order to be passed, notice to Respondent No.5 dispensed with.

2. The Petitioner has been admitted on a

reserved seat. The application for caste validity is pending before Respondent No.4. In the meantime, the Petitioner received a communication from the college dated 20th September, 2005 intimating that if the caste certificate is not submitted within 12 weeks, the admission would be cancelled.

3. This Court in similar other Petition has taken a view that the requirement is directory and can be waived. Considering that and the matter is pending before Respondent No.4, Respondent No.4 is directed to dispose of the Petitioner's pending application for caste validity within a period of four months from today. Until such time, the Respondent management to permit the Petitioner to continue his studies. Rule made absolute accordingly. There shall be no order as to costs.

(F.I.REBELLO, J.)

(DR.D.Y.CHANDRACHUD, J.)